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Sir:

Submitted herewith on Form PTO-1449 is a listing of documents known to Applicants and/or their attorney in compliance with the requirements of 37 CFR 1.56. In accordance with 37 CFR 1.98, copies of U.S. patents and published U.S. patent applications are not submitted. An English abstract translation for JP 7 136250 is enclosed. JP 11 504836 (no complete copy available), is equivalent to US 7,108,672. The patents and publications listed on Form PTO-1449 were cited in an Office Action issued by the Japanese Patent Office on June 21, 2009 in a counterpart patent application.

It is respectfully requested that the Examiner initial and return a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449, and to indicate in the official file wrapper of this patent application that the listed documents have been considered.

In accordance with 37 CFR §1.97(b)(3), this Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits of the above-identified application. Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that no fee is required by the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement.

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